

Amendments to the Specification

Page 1, after the title, please insert the following:

--CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is a 371 national stage application of PCT/EP99/10470, filed December 30, 1999.

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION--

Page 2, after the first full paragraph, please insert the following heading:

--SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION--

Page 5, before the first full paragraph, please insert the following:

--BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

Figure 1 is a graph depicting the number of CD34⁺ cells/ μ l of blood obtained in a patient during 3 cycles of chemotherapy after a mobilization treatment with G-CSF alone (cycle 1), GH + G-CSF (cycle 2) and G-CSF alone (cycle 3).

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION--

Page 49, please delete in its entirety the **LEGEND OF THE FIGURES**, lines 1-12.

Page 56, section "B) Results", first line thereafter, please amend and insert a Table 1 as follows:

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The results are depicted in ~~the table of figure 1.~~

Table 1

Agents administered after chemotherapy		Absolute peak number of circulating CD34 ⁺ /μL			Total amount of leukapheresed CD34 ⁺ cells/kg of body weight		
		Patient 1	Patient 2	Patient 3	Patient 1	Patient 2	Patient 3
G-CSF	Cycle 1	10	12	50	ND	ND	ND
GH + G-CSF	Cycle 2	25	34	80	5.10 ⁶	14.9 10 ⁶	6.1 10 ⁶

- **GH:** Growth Hormone
- **G-CSF:** Granulocyte-Cell Stimulating Factor
- **ND:** Not Detectable